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Applicant: Caplan et al. Examiner: Huynh Serial No.: 10/728.051 Art Unit: 1644

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Title: MICROBIAL DELIVERY SYSTEM

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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition for a three (3) month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed January 31, 2007, in the above-identified application. The deadline for responding to the Office Action without fees was April 31, 2007. A three-month extension of time from April 31, 2007, up to and including July 31, 2007, is hereby respectfully requested, and a credit card form to cover the small entity fee of \$510.00 is enclosed. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that this Notice of Appeal is timely filed on Monday, July 30, 2007.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments which may be required to our Deposit Account No. 03–1721.

Respectfully Submitted,

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